

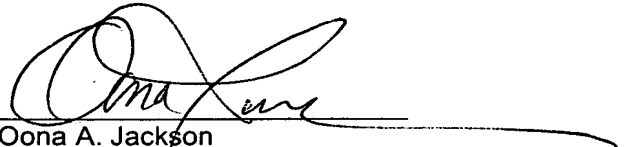
REMARKS

The foregoing Amendments to the Specification are to insert the Abstract on a separate sheet.

Amendments to the Claims are to eliminate multiple dependencies and to conform to proper U.S. claim practice.

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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